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MEMORANDA.

Population.—The latest estimate of the population shows that during the first three months of 1908 the total increase was 8,649, or at the rate of 2·2 per cent. per annum. Of this increase, 6,449 was due to excess of births, and 2,200 to excess of immigration.

Trade.—The imports during May were valued at £2,612,998, which shows a decrease of £763,599, as compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the five months there was a decrease of £1,327,636, or nearly 9 per cent., as compared with last year. The direct oversea imports during May amounted to £1,244,709, as compared with £1,813,612 in 1907; the total for the five months was £7,627,682, a decrease of £282,377 over the corresponding figures for 1907. There were decreases in almost all the principal articles, boots and shoes, machines and machinery, and sugar showing increases. Gold also shows a heavy falling-off.

The oversea exports for May amounted to £1,625,290, and show a decrease of £237,094 compared with the corresponding month of last year. Wool decreased by £25,000, minerals by £101,000, wheat by £22,000, and meats by £31,000. For the five months there was a decrease in the oversea exports of £3,796,197, or over 27 per cent., as compared with last year. Most of the principal articles show large decreases: Wool, £2,452,000; wheat, £650,000; minerals, £406,000; meats, £197,000; skins, £216,000; and tallow, £99,000; coal and wine alone show increases. Separating merchandise from gold, the exports of the former during the five months decreased by £4,037,773, but the latter increased by £241,576.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for May show that the net revenue for the month was £1,077,297, or £97,244 less than in May of last year. During the eleven months ended 31st May the revenue was £12,917,287, being £708,557, or 5·8 per cent. more than the corresponding period of the last financial year. The principal increases in receipts during the eleven months were—From Commonwealth returns, £707,565; Railways, £379,002; and Sydney Harbour Trust, £24,346. The returns from taxation decreased by £255,154; and Land Revenue, £86,234. The expenditure during May was £743,247, a decrease of £35,242 as compared with May of last year. During the eleven months the expenditure was £11,221,698, being £2,223, more than in 1906–7. Expenditure on Government Departments decreased by £81,439, and on Business Undertakings increased by £162,439. Interest payments decreased by £73,727. On the 31st May, 1908, the balance to credit of the Consolidated Revenue Account was £1,912,381.

Gold Production.—The gold yield during May was 21,792 oz. crude, equal to 19,295 oz. fine, valued at £81,961. The value of gold produced during the five months was £410,316, which showed a decrease of £121,421, as compared with the corresponding period of 1907.

Prices.—The general index number for May was the lowest of any month for nearly three years, and was over 18 per cent. lower than for May of last year. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,077, for metals 1,042, and for all articles 1,147. During the month the prices of metals and wool declined largely, whereas butter and wheat showed a considerable advance. Other articles remained at about the same level as in April.

Meteorology.—During May the rainfall was for the most part below the average. Only a few stations, and those widely scattered, had falls in excess of the average. The temperature generally was slightly in excess of the average.

Land Selections.—During May 280 new settlers applied for 145,582 acres; and 77,581 acres, representing 124 blocks, were set apart for residential settlement. Since the beginning of the year the number of new settlers has been 987, and the area applied for 534,113 acres. The original area set apart for residential settlement since the 1st January has been 339,710 acres, representing 456 blocks.

Public Debt, 30th June, 1907, and Security therefor.

PUBLIC DEBT.				ESTIMATED VALUE OF SECURITIES.			
The Public Debt, £85,607,832, has been expended as follows:—				Net Earnings from Business Undertakings , average of 3 years, ended 30/6/07, capitalised at 3½ per cent.*—			
Reproductive Works—				£			
Railways and Tramways ...	49,996,323			Railways and Tramways ...	57,719,000		
Water Supply and Sewerage ...	11,082,545			Water Supply and Sewerage..	11,135,000		
Sydney Harbour Trust ...	5,055,160			Sydney Harbour Trust ...	5,537,000		
Darling Harbour Resump-tions ...	1,119,196			Darling Harbour Resumptions	886,000		
Total ...	67,253,224			Total ...	75,277,000		
Indirectly Productive—				Public Lands—			
Conservation of Water, &c....	1,100,581			Net Revenue from Leases capitalised at 3½ per cent...	14,681,000		
Roads and Bridges ...	1,784,582			Amount outstanding on C.P.'s	7,905,000		
Harbours and Rivers ...	4,407,851			Total ...	22,586,000		
Total ...	7,293,014						
Unproductive Works—				Cash in Hand (30th June, 1907)			
Public Buildings and Offices	4,325,691				4,782,000		
Handed over to Common-wealth ...	3,430,647			Sinking Fund (30th June, 1907)			
Other Works... ..	3,395,256				483,000		
Total ...	11,061,594			Total Estimated Value of Securities			
Total Public Debt ...	£85,607,832				£103,128,000		

* Based on the returns from the last year, 1906-7, the capital value of the Business Undertakings was £86,104,000—namely, Railways and Tramways, £67,752,000; Water Supply and Sewerage, £11,357,000; Sydney Harbour Trust, £6,151,000; and Darling Harbour Resumptions, £844,000.

NOTE.—The above statement is not put forward as a State Balance Sheet, but as an approximate valuation of the resources on which the State may rely as security for the public creditors. The debt has been incurred principally on works of a permanent character, 79 per cent. being on reproductive works, 8 per cent. on indirectly productive works for the facilitation of traffic, and 13 per cent. on unproductive works.

The value of the securities has been calculated by taking first the actual net return from the business undertakings of the State for the three years ended June, 1907, and capitalising at 3½ per cent. The value of the public lands has been estimated on the basis only of the annual revenue received and the amount still outstanding on land alienated. The 22 million acres still unalienated have not been taken into account. There is, therefore, little doubt that the value quoted is greatly under-estimated, but no valuation has been made by the Lands Department. In addition, the actual amount of the Sinking Fund and Cash in hand on 30th June, 1907, has been included.

It will be seen from the statement that the securities exceeded the debt by 17½ millions sterling, which may be regarded as extremely satisfactory; and here it might be pointed out that State properties can hardly be valued on the basis of a private business undertaking. State properties are not expected to earn as a maximum a much higher net return than is due for interest on the capital expended. When the results are much in excess of the interest due, public opinion at once demands that reductions be made in the rates and charges. It should also be borne in mind that in valuing the securities no account has been taken of works not directly producing revenue, such as harbour works, roads and bridges, and others, although, of course, indirectly these works have been of great service in developing the country.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1'78	1,290,375
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1'64	1,312,455
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1'58	1,333,605
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1'53	1,354,335
1901	723,494	656,033	1,379,527	14,937	1'09	1,367,851
1902	741,234	666,385	1,407,619	28,092	2'04	1,395,299
1903	755,078	676,533	1,431,611	23,992	1'70	1,419,734
1904	773,699	687,850	1,461,549	29,938	2'09	1,446,535
1905	795,133	700,874	1,496,007	34,458	2'36	1,478,703
1906	816,590	714,394	1,530,984	34,977	2'34	1,514,390
1907	841,391	731,833	1,573,224	42,240	2'76	1,554,783
31st March, 1908 ...	846,592	735,281	1,581,873	.....	.....	.....

The population includes 4,287 Aborigines of full-blood, of whom 2,451 are males, and 1,836 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17'81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14'90
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15'42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16'26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15'98
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15'19
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13'71
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16'11
1905	10,970	20,206	19,295	8,709	6,269	24,523	16'58
1906	11,551	21,066	19,882	8,715	6,260	25,973	17'15
1907	12,189	21,616	20,579	9,429	6,981	25,785	16'59
Jan. to Mar., 1908	3,261	5,362	5,089	2,355	1,647	6,449	.....
Jan. to Mar., 1907...	2,972	4,986	4,637	1,912	1,437	6,274	.....

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females		Males.	Females	Males.	Females	
1897	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365	43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538
1898	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466	46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677
1899	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617	47,817	23,746	49,278	28,386	149,227
1900	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313	45,259	21,931	53,647	31,994	152,831
1901	50,234	25,905	55,538	31,936	163,613	44,332	25,168	66,763	34,267	170,530
1902	54,942	26,249	50,855	28,604	160,650	43,433	23,967	54,411	31,936	153,747
1903	46,121	24,449	54,314	27,459	152,343	39,537	24,095	56,003	28,185	147,820
1904	48,700	24,278	54,997	28,287	156,262	39,475	24,113	56,725	29,318	149,631
1905	47,872	26,298	62,991	35,143	172,304	38,586	25,096	62,340	36,347	162,369
1906	50,257	29,208	71,529	42,342	193,336	41,039	27,753	71,041	43,899	184,332
1907	65,684	35,441	94,245	45,969	241,339	51,868	30,018	95,447	47,551	224,884
Jan. to Mar., 1908...	18,396	10,755	23,651	13,352	66,154	15,114	9,331	24,739	14,770	63,954
„ 1907...	17,122	10,591	25,116	12,251	65,080	13,640	8,727	23,917	11,909	58,193

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	82,530	45,962	4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,474	46,982	4,579	13,706	10,872	163,613
1902	79,458	46,900	4,864	13,161	16,267	160,650
1903	81,773	42,529	4,249	12,868	10,924	152,343
1904	83,283	42,911	4,842	14,314	10,912	156,262
1905	98,134	44,315	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,304
1906	113,871	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,336
1907	140,214	58,734	9,782	20,204	12,405	241,339
Jan. to Mar., 1908...	37,003	17,737	2,623	5,516	3,275	66,154
„ 1907...	37,367	16,826	1,686	6,286	2,915	65,080

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	85,641	42,863	5,798	9,477	9,052	152,831
1901	101,030	43,426	5,221	12,159	8,694	170,530
1902	86,347	36,448	5,956	12,803	12,193	153,747
1903	84,189	34,914	5,136	13,204	10,377	147,820
1904	86,043	35,888	5,837	12,782	9,081	149,631
1905	98,686	36,771	5,501	12,310	9,101	162,369
1906	115,541	39,458	4,627	15,452	9,254	184,332
1907	142,998	48,755	4,583	18,774	9,774	224,884
Jan. to Mar., 1908...	39,509	15,228	1,701	5,157	2,359	63,954
„ 1907...	35,826	13,078	1,774	4,924	2,591	58,193

No. 6.—Principal Causes of Death—March Quarter—1908 and 1907.

Cause of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
	1908.			1907.	1908.			1907.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.
General Diseases—								
Typhoid Fever	27	18	45	18	74	57	131	69
Measles	1	...	1	2	5	4	9	7
Scarlet Fever	1	2	3	4	4	4	8	5
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	2	2	26	15	21	36	49
Diphtheria and Croup	4	...	4	5	16	7	23	27
Influenza	1	2	3	2	7	6	13	16
Dysentery	3	4	7	6	20	13	33	27
Plague ... ..	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	14
Other Epidemic Diseases	4	2	6	5	4	3	7	9
Septicæmia ... ..	...	4	4	...	2	7	9	6
Tuberculosis—Lungs	44	52	96	91	126	115	241	204
Other Organs	12	15	27	15	27	29	56	28
General	7	3	10	17	21	7	28	27
Syphilis	5	5	10	3	9	9	18	7
Cancer	73	59	132	108	170	119	289	254
Rheumatism	2	7	9	7	8	22	30	15
Diabetes	4	4	8	11	6	12	18	21
Exophthalmic Goitre	1	2	3	3	1	3	4	6
Anæmia	3	6	9	11	12	11	23	16
Other General Diseases	2	5	7	10	16	10	26	22
Local Diseases—								
Meningitis	13	6	19	14	23	14	37	31
Diseases of Spinal Cord	8	2	10	4	28	6	34	14
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	21	22	43	48	57	42	99	110
General Paralysis	7	2	9	9	10	3	13	12
Convulsions (under 5)	9	6	15	13	24	33	57	49
Other Nervous Diseases	19	12	31	22	55	34	89	72
Endocarditis	11	6	17	11	22	11	33	22
Organic diseases of Heart	63	62	125	96	174	117	291	242
Other diseases Circulatory System	20	7	27	19	43	15	58	46
Bronchitis	14	10	24	31	31	33	64	80
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia	21	17	38	57	68	44	112	126
Other diseases Respiratory System	17	5	22	14	38	17	55	49
Diseases of Stomach	8	5	13	9	19	17	36	38
Diarrhœa and Enteritis (under 2)	100	85	185	155	246	201	447	347
" " (over 2)	18	20	38	22	68	56	124	81
Intestinal Obstruction	7	8	15	18	20	17	37	34
Cirrhosis of Liver	7	8	15	9	17	15	32	19
Appendicitis	15	5	20	20	29	11	40	39
Other diseases Digestive System	14	13	27	20	41	36	77	55
Nephritis	51	30	81	65	99	57	156	109
Other diseases Urinary System	15	1	16	14	34	1	35	43
Diseases of Genital Organs ... ..	...	10	10	11	...	12	12	16
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	25	25	28	...	73	73	52
Diseases of Skin	8	1	9	8	15	7	22	18
Diseases of Bones, &c.	6	2	8	3	9	3	12	6
Congenital Malformations	5	1	6	8	10	2	12	16
Diseases of Infancy	64	46	110	96	158	116	274	244
Old Age	21	28	49	53	130	76	206	193
Violence—								
Suicide	10	2	12	11	31	5	36	32
Accidents	54	13	67	53	223	63	286	193
Other External Violence	6	2	8	9	10	5	15	23
Not classed (Open Verdict)	3	2	5	4	12	3	15	16
Ill-defined Causes	15	20	35	20	68	43	111	93
Total	844	676	1,520	1,327	2,355	1,647	4,002	3,349

Mean annual death-rate per 1,000 of population—

Sydney and Suburbs.

New South Wales.

903-1907

1908

10.22

10.53

10.33

10.14

No. 7.—Principal Articles Imported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	46,830	145,028	191,858	35,763	118,229	153,992
Animals, Living	1,877,934	60,210	1,938,144	1,471,482	59,621	1,531,103
Apparel and Attire	463,191	990,981	1,454,172	362,464	889,733	1,252,197
Piece Goods	323,431	3,160,393	3,483,824	239,411	2,710,081	2,949,492
Boots and Shoes	245,759	132,891	378,650	182,122	115,381	297,503
Cordage and Twines	32,754	54,046	86,800	41,668	39,611	81,279
Drugs and Chemicals	55,614	243,865	299,479	22,461	158,052	180,513
Fish—all kinds	35,100	126,841	161,941	20,914	98,577	119,491
Fruits and Vegetables	412,810	139,762	582,572	365,528	105,559	471,087
Furniture	52,816	117,172	169,988	35,546	97,782	133,328
Glass and Glassware	28,723	165,477	194,200	23,649	113,189	136,838
Gold—Coined and Uncoined... ..	3,405,937	1,048,343	4,454,280	3,529,330	1,586,999	5,116,329
Hats and Caps	83,484	178,561	262,045	74,803	151,809	226,612
Implements, &c—Agricultural	120,883	101,741	222,624	172,296	79,101	251,397
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	35,812	369,716	405,528	19,271	311,445	330,716
Galvanized Sheet	49,014	398,722	447,736	38,814	296,066	334,880
Leather	118,139	181,209	299,348	125,281	168,956	294,237
Machines and Machinery	402,418	1,301,124	1,703,542	276,803	800,353	1,077,156
Metal Manufactures—Free	78,789	901,235	980,024	78,396	780,596	858,992
Dutiable	166,583	575,660	742,243	136,854	427,747	564,601
Oil—Kerosene... ..	16,990	153,014	170,010	11,655	111,785	123,440
Spirits—all kinds	92,544	455,853	548,397	74,930	330,171	405,101
Sugar	789,352	46,022	835,374	883,235	190,466	1,073,701
Tea	48,090	512,656	560,746	37,435	381,069	418,504
Timber	263,679	652,317	915,996	187,332	526,413	713,745
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	144,901	354,616	499,517	141,585	258,371	399,956
Wool	1,685,715	7,013	1,692,728	1,469,328	1,385	1,470,713
All other Articles	7,488,506	8,285,923	15,774,429	7,003,504	6,694,956	13,698,460
Total	£ 18,595,804	20,860,301	39,456,105	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363

No. 8.—Principal Articles Exported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.				1906.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Value.	
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.
			£	£	£	£
Animals, Living ... ..	.....	.....	2,620,804	95,347	2,408,436	92,210
Butter lb.	2,905,526	18,829,626	132,536	810,270	48,676	1,003,423
Coal tons	1,785,843	2,644,507	970,765	1,297,530	891,446	892,170
Copper, Ingots, & Matte cwt.	1,271	406,901	4,836	1,613,218	5,031	1,627,458
Gold—Coined and Uncoined... ..	.....	.....	625,604	2,664,070	685,772	5,932,214
Grain—Wheat... .. cental	874,590	3,036,810	214,465	798,901	257,265	689,918
Flour "	449,305	777,876	188,668	319,662	177,051	285,482
Lead—Pig, and Matte cwt.	2,870,657	1,501,953	1,953,742	1,320,025	1,388,945	635,621
Leather ... ..	.....	.....	138,270	300,349	133,222	320,267
Meats—Mutton and Lamb lb.	6,167,052	55,831,419	73,360	614,996	75,035	538,771
Rabbits and Hares prs.	216,144	6,986,466	1,963	301,115	1,704	246,803
Oil—Cocoonut cwt.	5,545	119,276	10,247	195,816	4,406	151,292
Ores ... ..	.....	169,062	3,444	298,314	9,070	277,959
Silver Bullion, &c. oz.	6,619,479	3,343,122	628,255	429,084	506,912	105,155
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	655,011
Silver and Silver-lead Ore ..	679,261	797,251	138,163	430,860	94,980	446,921
Skins—Hides No.	65,697	197,239	79,098	189,010	86,975	146,303
Sheep	643,283	3,943,123	132,220	502,893	90,618	403,166
Rabbit and Hare lb.	1,108,602	6,981,362	31,395	214,741	23,669	298,532
Other ... ..	.....	.....	9,232	286,664	4,718	415,678
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. cwt.	3,829,034	958,151	371,164	158,476	239,510	86,505
Tallow "	29,656	358,377	29,371	539,976	20,930	470,023
Timber ... ..	.....	.....	40,623	342,045	41,853	352,622
Tin, Ingots cwt.	221	85,268	1,924	727,333	1,450	700,806
Wool—Greasy and Scoured lb.	17,140,916	298,651,930	2,632,344	16,219,020	3,244,935	12,302,149
All other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	4,848,472	2,224,358	4,242,541	1,901,420
Total ... ..	£ .....	.....	15,880,905	32,894,073	14,651,156	30,986,888

No. 9.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	8,972,854	12,771,496	21,744,350	7,788,077	15,962,995	23,751,072
1898 ...	11,721,033	12,732,527	24,453,560	8,162,429	19,485,688	27,648,117
1899 ...	10,868,437	14,725,878	25,594,315	8,862,274	19,583,192	28,445,466
1900 ...	10,164,080	17,396,991	27,561,071	9,979,214	18,185,302	28,164,516
1901 ...	9,368,011	17,560,207	26,928,218	9,140,497	18,210,625	27,351,122
1902 ...	10,949,675	15,024,535	25,974,210	7,568,922	15,975,129	23,544,051
1903 ...	12,792,252	13,977,917	26,770,169	7,876,898	18,941,161	26,818,059
1904 ...	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958	9,918,050	23,086,484	33,004,534
1905 ...	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	12,263,472	24,518,534	36,782,006
1906 ...	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363	14,651,156	30,986,888	45,638,044
1907 ...	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,905	32,894,073	48,774,978

No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase (+) or Decrease (—).
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	917,216	1,756,542	2,673,758	1,499,770	1,560,746	3,060,516	(—) 386,758
February ...	1,182,813	1,898,371	3,081,184	1,213,964	1,805,776	3,019,740	(+) 61,444
March ...	939,573	1,760,035	2,699,608	1,282,876	1,548,164	2,831,040	(—) 131,432
April ...	1,075,968	1,570,902	2,646,870	924,064	1,830,097	2,754,161	(—) 107,291
May ...	1,228,323	1,384,675	2,612,998	1,396,169	1,980,428	3,376,597	(—) 763,599
Total (5 mths) £	5,343,893	8,370,525	13,714,418	6,316,843	8,725,211	15,042,054	(—) 1,327,636

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase (+) or Decrease (—).
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,452,638	811,008	2,263,646	3,486,107	1,024,953	4,511,060	(—) 2,247,414
February ...	3,105,116	839,753	3,944,869	3,193,924	1,031,359	4,225,283	(—) 280,414
March ...	2,250,788	888,745	3,139,533	3,383,427	882,880	4,266,307	(—) 1,126,774
April ...	1,698,615	953,725	2,652,340	2,002,802	988,690	2,991,492	(—) 339,152
May ...	1,625,290	*	.....	1,862,384	1,024,518	2,886,902	(—) 237,094†
Total (5 mths) £	10,132,447	.....	.....	13,928,644	4,952,400	18,881,044	(—) 3,796,197†

* Not yet available.

† Oversea only.

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported during May, and during the five months January to May.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
May.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	1,640	6,157	7,797	1,400	14,637	16,037
Animals	168,055	3,737	171,792	295,420	4,355	299,775
Apparel and Soft Goods	30,188	217,043	248,131	46,503	369,799	416,302
Boots and Shoes	18,852	9,842	28,694	16,546	16,740	33,286
Cordage and Twines ... ..	.....	11,909	11,909	2,449	22,409	24,858
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	19,682	19,682	3,847	37,297	41,144
Fish—all kinds ... ..	.....	4,468	4,468	876	7,606	8,482
Fruits—Dried	8,966	1,171	10,137	16,145	6,788	22,933
Fresh	30,778	3,285	34,063	30,574	3,399	33,973
Furniture ... ..	.....	4,888	4,888	2,984	11,692	14,676
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	7,875	7,875	1,148	18,509	19,657
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	143,671	91,005	234,676	209,388	154,458	363,846
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	19,898	19,898	.....	32,479	32,479
Hats and Caps	6,626	9,256	15,882	4,406	19,685	24,091
Implements—Agricultural	5,266	5,631	10,897	7,975	4,660	12,635
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	430	27,168	27,598	231	31,910	32,141
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	26,148	26,148	.....	32,285	32,285
Leather	7,043	8,593	15,636	8,984	17,920	26,904
Machines and Machinery	9,695	119,899	129,594	15,648	147,277	162,925
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	9,396	46,436	55,832	7,736	75,710	83,446
Free	282	59,789	60,071	502	109,200	109,702
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	153	153	.....	2,838	2,838
Spirits	5,059	25,725	30,784	3,468	39,933	43,401
Sugar	26,603	672	27,275	32,158	326	32,484
Tea ... ..	.....	30,920	30,920	.....	40,744	40,744
Timber ... ..	.....	32,800	32,800	10,995	70,443	81,438
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	7,507	29,399	36,906	8,371	38,544	46,915
Wine	3,616	5,589	9,205	3,452	2,388	5,840
Wool	73,051	5	73,056	104,977	14	104,991
Other Articles	671,599	554,632	1,226,231	559,986	646,383	1,206,369
Total	£ 1,228,323	1,384,675	2,612,998	1,396,169	1,980,428	3,376,597
January to May.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	11,342	65,053	76,395	11,968	70,894	82,862
Animals	456,466	22,645	479,111	621,366	26,820	648,186
Apparel and Soft Goods	155,411	1,983,286	2,138,697	196,656	2,011,999	2,208,655
Boots and Shoes	82,159	66,061	148,220	67,524	67,724	135,248
Cordage and Twines	1,837	106,134	107,971	10,200	108,029	118,229
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	128,287	128,287	16,119	159,452	175,571
Fish—all kinds ... ..	.....	79,531	79,531	2,793	86,013	88,806
Fruits—Dried	11,057	6,524	17,581	37,557	19,567	57,124
Fresh	123,269	33,539	156,808	116,250	27,165	143,415
Furniture ... ..	.....	31,466	31,466	13,492	41,460	54,952
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	58,764	58,764	4,956	79,791	84,747
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	840,838	286,646	1,127,484	1,683,753	481,866	2,165,619
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	48,750	48,750	.....	67,619	67,619
Hats and Caps	31,795	63,372	95,167	24,698	84,636	109,334
Implements—Agricultural	38,777	38,243	77,020	49,611	38,082	87,693
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	2,110	142,646	144,756	919	162,948	163,867
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	129,799	129,799	.....	175,113	175,113
Leather	35,674	59,688	95,362	41,061	70,351	111,412
Machines and Machinery	47,691	619,670	667,361	69,621	563,559	633,180
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	45,575	314,519	360,094	31,610	291,878	323,488
Free	1,477	269,115	270,592	9,683	454,474	464,157
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	43,912	43,912	.....	105,101	105,101
Spirits	15,840	115,164	131,004	16,039	185,976	202,015
Sugar	173,459	109,683	283,142	168,649	11,831	180,480
Tea ... ..	.....	206,471	206,471	.....	224,040	224,040
Timber	33,894	269,219	303,113	45,662	275,013	320,675
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	38,938	78,257	117,195	46,915	154,808	201,723
Wine	21,354	22,845	44,199	17,033	19,224	36,257
Wool	409,113	2,135	411,248	592,067	2,874	594,941
Other Articles	2,765,817	2,969,101	5,734,918	2,420,641	2,656,904	5,077,545
Total	£ 5,343,893	8,370,525	13,714,418	6,316,843	8,725,211	15,042,054

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during May, and during the five months January to May.

Article.	1908.				1907.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.
May.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	268	268	£ 3,997	£ 3,997	82	82	£ 6,205	£ 6,205
Butter lb.	157,978	157,978	8,370	8,370	759,808	759,808	32,872	32,872
Coal ton	221,629	221,629	117,360	117,360	224,976	224,976	111,292	111,292
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	31,554	31,554	88,408	88,408	39,935	39,935	180,440	180,440
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	3,647	3,661	2,431	2,446	3,034	3,106	1,869	1,943
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	490,211	490,211	.....	.....	456,983	456,983
Grain—Wheat... .. cntl.	97	97	3 ⁸	3 ⁸	70,213	70,213	22,488	22,488
Flour „	34,706	34,706	17,333	17,333	132,130	132,202	49,528	49,558
Lead cwt.	130,036	130,137	78,327	78,400	108,936	109,406	99,627	99,974
Leather ... .. „	.....	.....	30,236	30,872	.....	.....	22,989	23,673
Meats—Beef lb.	38,560	38,560	627	627	98,786	98,786	1,234	1,234
Mutton & Lamb „	1,478,172	1,478,172	15,908	15,908	3,558,755	3,558,755	43,529	43,529
Rabbits & Hares pair	434,412	434,412	19,145	19,145	518,692	518,692	23,358	23,358
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	590,582	590,583	11,795	11,803	546,418	546,946	10,721	10,738
Oil—Cocanut cwt.	6,495	6,495	8,135	8,135	3,572	3,572	6,987	6,987
Ores, Spelter, &c. ...	.....	.....	50,172	50,172	.....	.....	39,036	39,236
Silver Bullion oz.	274,566	274,566	28,420	28,420	128,560	128,560	16,006	16,006
Skins—Hides No.	15,283	15,283	9,828	9,828	15,408	15,408	15,029	15,029
Sheep „	135,583	135,808	11,034	11,059	204,797	204,797	28,205	28,205
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	151,413	151,413	4,150	4,150	864,033	864,033	28,509	28,509
Other ... .. „	.....	.....	2,191	2,191	.....	.....	11,207	11,207
Tallow cwt.	12,452	12,452	18,108	18,108	28,087	28,087	41,602	41,602
Timber ... .. „	.....	.....	35,475	38,178	.....	.....	29,388	30,424
Tin, Ingots cwt.	6,912	6,912	46,833	46,833	6,788	6,788	64,145	64,145
Wine gal.	2,943	3,316	776	1,323	2,986	3,204	884	1,224
Wool lb.	7,405,141	7,405,141	325,860	325,860	5,064,618	5,064,618	351,413	351,413
Other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	83,206	196,115	.....	.....	84,329	164,110
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	1,508,374	1,625,290	.....	.....	1,779,875	1,862,384
January to May.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	3,055	3,055	22,976	22,976	917	917	26,062	26,062
Butter lb.	10,928,062	10,928,062	524,573	524,573	13,005,718	13,005,718	538,221	538,221
Coal ton	1,149,108	1,149,108	605,598	605,598	845,097	845,097	416,368	416,368
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	152,940	152,940	434,048	434,048	147,709	147,709	719,710	719,710
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	13,678	14,532	10,264	11,148	16,254	17,319	10,343	11,431
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	1,483,272	1,483,272	.....	.....	1,241,696	1,241,696
Grain—Wheat... .. cntl.	138,520	138,520	52,363	52,363	2,738,048	2,738,048	702,570	702,570
Flour „	133,780	133,780	67,240	67,240	438,171	438,284	160,471	160,523
Lead cwt.	605,749	605,850	375,957	376,030	591,926	592,396	536,072	536,419
Leather... .. „	.....	.....	108,094	111,010	.....	.....	126,246	131,309
Meats—Beef lb.	173,802	173,802	2,595	2,595	1,018,802	1,018,802	12,525	12,525
Mutton & Lamb „	8,005,206	8,005,206	77,170	77,170	21,583,094	21,583,094	266,436	266,436
Rabbits & Hares pair	1,437,100	1,437,100	55,268	55,268	1,348,946	1,348,946	59,418	59,418
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	1,500,211	1,502,392	30,722	30,825	1,286,085	1,286,085	24,947	25,007
Oil—Cocanut... .. cwt.	23,420	23,420	31,568	31,568	25,517	25,522	55,236	55,421
Ores, Spelter, &c. ...	.....	.....	309,795	313,156	.....	.....	350,244	350,454
Silver Bullion oz.	1,380,455	1,396,633	147,567	149,307	1,192,306	1,192,306	151,875	151,875
Skins—Hides No.	77,167	77,167	54,820	54,820	69,363	69,363	68,716	68,716
Sheep „	937,405	937,630	82,043	82,068	1,474,506	1,478,183	180,406	180,627
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	851,706	851,706	23,005	23,005	2,451,661	2,451,661	80,868	80,868
Other ... .. „	.....	.....	33,800	33,826	.....	.....	79,598	79,598
Tallow cwt.	76,280	76,280	104,234	104,234	125,119	125,231	203,692	203,832
Timber ... .. „	.....	.....	127,044	136,253	.....	.....	128,367	136,866
Tin, Ingots cwt.	29,925	29,925	197,725	197,725	32,858	32,858	307,689	307,689
Wine gal.	24,369	26,070	6,050	8,055	15,711	16,566	4,609	6,038
Wool lb.	83,778,584	83,778,584	4,272,980	4,272,980	124,484,822	124,484,822	6,725,023	6,725,023
Other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	377,386	871,268	.....	.....	343,906	733,942
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	9,618,169	10,132,447	.....	.....	13,521,314	13,928,044

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 14.—Outward Interstate Transfers during April, and during the four months January to April.

NOTE.—The figures for May, 1908, are not yet available.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.

April.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Animals—Live	103,391	.....	103,391	140,516	547	141,063
Apparel and Soft Goods	15,059	27,089	42,148	18,895	33,368	52,263
Biscuits	5,177	4	5,181	5,357	31	5,388
Boots and Shoes—Leather	11,074	1,654	12,728	13,777	2,165	15,942
Butter	47,145	.....	47,145	20,437	.....	20,437
Cement	3,394	3	3,397	3,012	79	3,091
Coal	85,953	.....	85,953	81,145	.....	81,145
Fruits—Fresh	8,681	254	8,935	7,265	436	7,701
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	53,108	.....	53,108	6,960	.....	6,960
Grain—Wheat	7,238	.....	7,238	20,599	.....	20,599
Flour	16,476	40	16,516	14,604	108	14,712
Hats and Caps	3,058	2,307	5,365	3,124	2,133	5,257
Leather	5,570	4,268	9,838	9,605	3,891	13,496
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	5,939	6,726	12,665	5,083	5,187	10,270
Free	1,126	1,980	3,106	2,021	3,566	5,587
Potatoes	3,489	.....	3,489	2,484	.....	2,484
Skins and Hides	9,844	.....	9,844	10,280	.....	10,280
Soap	5,731	16	5,747	5,781	7	5,788
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	48,440	.....	48,440	37,800	.....	37,800
Spirits	1,455	5,992	7,447	1,035	7,082	8,117
Sugar	22,403	160	22,623	20,636	275	20,911
Tea ... ..	.....	7,897	7,897	.....	17,444	17,444
Timber	2,529	1,147	3,676	2,356	776	3,132
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	15,329	2,150	17,479	14,774	3,124	17,898
Wool	53,961	.....	53,961	14,849	.....	14,849
Other Articles	255,087	101,321	356,408	329,479	116,597	446,076
Total	£ 790,717	103,008	933,725	791,874	196,816	988,690

January to April.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Animals—Live	358,922	3,150	362,072	504,621	1,442	506,063
Apparel and Soft Goods	53,585	109,197	162,782	58,168	114,694	172,862
Biscuits	18,724	29	18,753	18,304	136	18,440
Boots and Shoes—Leather	39,411	6,892	46,303	40,570	8,150	48,720
Butter	70,775	.....	70,775	26,005	.....	26,005
Cement	13,364	51	13,415	16,333	278	16,611
Coal	389,900	.....	389,900	291,539	.....	291,539
Fruits—Fresh	23,678	1,935	25,613	23,363	4,100	27,463
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	107,394	.....	107,394	42,464	.....	42,464
Grain—Wheat	39,743	.....	39,743	168,411	.....	168,411
Flour	62,594	86	62,680	50,114	313	50,427
Hats and Caps	11,869	8,249	20,118	9,599	9,356	18,955
Leather	24,866	17,490	42,356	24,470	19,237	43,707
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	26,097	35,763	61,860	17,763	17,521	35,284
Free	3,713	8,254	11,967	10,065	13,502	23,567
Potatoes	12,425	.....	12,425	7,048	.....	7,048
Skins and Hides	43,178	5	43,183	51,973	80	52,053
Soap	17,615	18	17,633	18,806	16	18,822
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	138,233	.....	138,233	92,037	1	92,038
Spirits	4,857	20,722	25,579	4,765	24,417	29,182
Sugar	90,454	4,172	94,626	97,031	2,813	99,844
Tea ... ..	.....	34,123	34,123	.....	45,029	45,029
Timber	13,138	3,426	16,564	7,250	2,364	9,614
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	74,199	7,562	81,761	59,263	11,761	71,024
Wool	134,410	.....	134,410	243,201	.....	243,201
Other Articles	1,043,671	415,292	1,458,963	1,345,740	423,769	1,769,509
Total	£ 2,816,815	676,416	3,493,231	3,228,903	698,979	3,927,882

No. 15.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1907.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,865,889	272,066	172,610	189,093	112,331	132,792	70,939
February...	1,817,098	269,583	122,692	163,793	67,696	158,748	98,419
March ...	1,889,287	139,933	148,573	205,818	170,184	128,970	65,754
April ...	801,336	108,443	61,474	229,009	108,137	118,760	69,964
May ...	351,413	72,016	32,872	456,983	115,633	180,440	111,292
June ...	401,198	52,269	3,551	431,925	111,361	167,514	135,289
July ...	355,256	45,779	10,926	177,833	110,417	159,571	99,875
August ...	352,263	55,027	19,485	213,924	128,713	127,016	133,457
September ...	1,148,653	40,785	34,199	159,935	134,325	132,058	112,351
October ...	2,354,234	37,574	60,207	108,252	96,793	117,157	131,048
November ...	2,859,644	13,280	48,996	122,765	128,230	98,051	95,520
December ...	2,021,564	11,849	94,685	206,894	103,346	102,141	173,626
1908.							
January ...	378,725	30,960	205,356	150,436	66,160	90,561	112,830
February...	1,986,483	17,624	109,676	191,865	62,177	93,347	140,959
March ...	1,052,036	38,408	127,056	218,584	100,749	91,033	130,860
April ...	529,876	15,240	74,115	432,176	68,544	70,699	103,589
May ...	325,860	17,371	8,370	490,211	78,327	88,408	117,360

No. 16.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,042,703	641,405
1906 ...	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907 ...	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
Jan.-May, 1908	1,317	2,526,093	1,359	2,579,276	2,267,684	258,409	2,275,451	303,825
„ 1907	1,298	2,356,919	1,277	2,310,455	1,985,904	371,015	1,982,331	328,124
May, 1908 ...	268	516,875	282	538,186	460,031	56,844	472,271	65,915
907 ...	286	489,985	280	473,659	410,843	79,142	387,098	86,561

No. 17.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1906.	1907.
Imports.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Australian States	7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	17,061,860	18,595,804
United Kingdom	11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	10,047,928	12,474,736
Canada ... ..	.....	18,784	61,742	114,321	150,132	200,173
Fiji	192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	55,478	97,373
Hongkong	340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	102,680	117,046
India and Ceylon	134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	848,792	1,059,919
New Zealand	899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	2,094,508	1,604,868
South Africa	290	55	34	1,013	3,263	6,374
Straits Settlements	40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	103,636	119,167
Other British Possessions	109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	87,570	103,916
Total, British Countries..	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	30,555,847	34,379,376
Belgium	195,318	130,819	150,288	147,661	394,805	504,268
China	393,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	10,823	39,188
France	345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	118,173	146,717
Germany	372,557	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	1,037,771	1,199,415
Italy	1,311	23,961	39,563	92,732	78,706	121,294
Japan	1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	180,519	235,179
New Caledonia	82,181	83,920	28,345	28,509	23,667	43,071
Philippine Islands	715	4,414	15,211	49,240	39,436	30,357
South Sea Islands	36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	132,732	145,836
United States	1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,702,428	2,335,409
Other Foreign Countries	90,095	178,295	63,099	448,279	380,456	276,085
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	4,109,516	5,076,819
Total, All Countries ...	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	34,665,363	39,456,195
Exports.						
Australian States	6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	14,651,156	15,880,905
United Kingdom	7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	12,174,155	13,687,977
Canada ... ..	.....	10	16,804	66,403	723,308	105,893
Fiji	128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	307,247	318,171
Hongkong	246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	431,748	482,219
India and Ceylon	130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,546,539	1,131,781
New Zealand	399,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	1,300,126	1,480,461
South Africa ... ..	.....	1,014	3,266	755,487	367,009	430,869
Straits Settlements	29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	160,996	218,866
Other British Possessions	30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	88,931	87,351
Total, British Countries..	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	31,751,215	33,824,493
Belgium	399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	3,263,310	3,531,502
China	21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	97,930	217,368
France	142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,179,531	4,475,962
Germany	29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,294,260	3,685,469
Italy	1,769	24,498	63,509	61,132	128,674	145,211
Japan	2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	633,730	486,083
New Caledonia	153,094	193,396	71,344	179,761	122,102	114,918
Philippine Islands ... ..	.....	16,410	18,603	88,043	234,658	311,301
South Sea Islands	68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	119,333	140,262
United States	985,531	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	2,963,288	811,942
Other Foreign Countries	151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	850,013	1,030,467
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	13,886,829	14,950,485
Total, All Countries ...	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	45,638,044	48,774,978

No. 18.—State Revenue, May, and 11 months July to May.

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	May.		Increase or Decrease (—)	July to May.		Increase or Decrease (—)
	1907.	1908.		1906-7.	1907-8.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Surplus Commonwealth Revenue ...	291,080	290,665	(—) 415	2,883,806	3,591,371	707,565
Taxation (by State) ...	87,626	55,056	(—) 32,570	1,115,366	860,212	(—) 255,154
Public Lands ...	227,368	167,340	(—) 60,028	1,824,581	1,738,347	(—) 86,234
All other sources ...	40,837	34,440	(—) 6,397	619,476	592,600	(—) 26,876
Gross Total ...	646,911	547,501	(—) 99,410	6,443,229	6,782,530	339,301
Refunds ...	8,708	14,451	5,743	120,885	133,538	12,653
Net Total ...	638,203	533,050	(—) 105,153	6,322,344	6,648,992	326,648
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	469,741	465,897	(—) 3,844	5,151,516	5,530,518	379,002
Other ...	73,726	87,900	14,174	780,737	821,279	40,542
Gross Total ...	543,467	553,797	10,330	5,932,253	6,351,797	419,544
Refunds ...	7,129	9,550	2,421	45,867	83,502	37,635
Net Total ...	536,338	544,247	7,909	5,886,386	6,268,295	381,909
Gross Revenue and Receipts proper ...	1,190,378	1,101,298	(—) 89,080	12,375,482	13,134,327	758,845
Net Revenue and Receipts proper £	1,174,541	1,077,297	(—) 97,244	12,208,780	12,917,287	708,557

No. 19.—State Expenditure, May, and 11 months July to May.

(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	May.		Increase or Decrease (—)	July to May.		Increase or Decrease (—)
	1907.	1908.		1906-7.	1907-8.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	389,727	434,456	44,729	4,554,769	4,473,330	(—) 81,439
Business Undertakings ...	376,339	304,748	(—) 71,591	3,237,047	3,399,486	162,439
Interest ...	12,423	4,043	(—) 8,380	3,110,109	3,036,382	(—) 73,727
Sinking Fund and Redemptions ...	.....	.....	.....	* 317,550	312,500	(—) 5,050
Total Expenditure ...	£ 778,489	743,247	(—) 35,242	11,219,475	11,221,698	2,223

No. 20.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, 11 months July to May.

Particulars.							1906-7.	1907-8.
							£	£
Balance on 1st July ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Cr. 896,124	Cr. 1,471,344
Revenue proper—Governmental ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,322,344	6,648,992
Business Undertakings ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,886,386	6,268,295
Other Receipts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	371,558	477,829
Total Receipts ...	...	...	...	...	...	£	12,580,288	13,395,116
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,554,769	4,473,330
Business Undertakings ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,237,037	3,399,486
Interest ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,110,109	3,036,382
Sinking Fund Contributions ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	* 317,550	312,500
Transfer to Closer Settlement Account ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	200,000	200,000
Transfer to Public Works Account... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	718,051	1,058,409
Other Payments ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	254,369	473,972
Total Payments ...	...	...	...	...	...	£	12,391,895	12,954,079
Balance on 30th May ...	...	...	...	...	...	£	Cr. 1,084,517	Cr. 1,912,381

* Includes £5,050 for repayment to State Debt Commissioners on account of Bogan Scrub clearing.

No. 21.—Commonwealth Revenue collected in State.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation.			Posts and Telegraphs.	Other Revenue.	Total.
	Customs.	Excise.	Total.			
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	820,012	198,996	1,019,008	276,936	1,019	1,296,963
1902	2,324,000	488,732	2,812,732	873,312	8,223	3,694,267
1903	2,861,710	617,032	3,478,742	906,798	5,479	4,391,019
1904	2,604,049	625,737	3,229,786	941,529	5,075	4,176,390
1905	2,390,735	642,882	3,033,617	980,141	6,969	4,020,727
1906	2,563,552	670,370	3,233,922	1,065,633	15,275	4,314,830
1907	2,845,786	727,527	3,573,313	1,191,508	16,998	4,781,819
†Mar., 1908 ...	2,853,957	646,291	3,500,248	950,851	17,584	4,468,683
„ 1907 ...	2,139,393	542,148	2,681,541	884,034	12,520	3,578,095
‡Mar., 1908 ...	920,541	202,200	1,122,741	317,191	5,816	1,445,748
„ 1907 ...	730,895	186,579	917,474	296,717	4,992	1,219,183

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Nine months ended 31st March.

‡ Three months ended 31st March.

No. 22.—Commonwealth Expenditure in State.

Year ended 30th June.	New Expenditure.	Customs and Excise.	Posts and Telegraphs.	Naval and Military.	Other.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	47,606	29,005	262,036	70,743	.....	409,390
1902	99,252	63,450	840,685	309,147	.....	1,312,534
1903	114,131	70,438	890,203	268,146	10	1,342,928
1904	167,043	69,188	950,107	298,757	.....	1,485,095
1905	290,847	68,724	894,595	237,892	.....	1,492,058
1906	187,340	73,431	984,371	327,734	25	1,572,901
1907	283,145	74,801	1,049,155	349,513	378	1,756,992
†Mar., 1908 ...	337,217	60,566	852,178	236,299	313	1,486,573
„ 1907 ...	236,020	55,487	783,168	262,603	300	1,337,578
‡Mar., 1908 ...	45,752	21,935	284,205	72,318	200	424,410
„ 1907 ...	52,400	18,882	291,396	77,172	300	440,150

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Nine months ended 31st March.

‡ Three months ended 31st March.

No. 23.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Resumptions).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897	61,074,498	476,674	440,109	240,172	391,150	1,548,105
1898	63,112,720	421,885	538,622	282,421	410,215	1,653,143
1899	63,762,066	589,156	579,738	370,680	486,370	2,025,944
1900	65,332,993	858,193	438,684	382,346	721,720	2,400,943
1901	67,361,246	1,085,747	532,691	505,199	661,392	2,785,029
1902	71,592,485	2,243,672	486,205	1,698,387	510,977	4,939,241
1903	77,692,987	1,683,755	554,581	2,017,346	457,704	4,713,386
1904	80,033,581	805,520	315,305	879,213	288,704	2,288,742
1905	82,321,998	501,710	242,770	465,712	361,065	1,571,257
1906	85,641,734	529,251	365,442	256,780	215,549	1,367,022
1907	85,607,832	421,742	344,345	167,677	124,789	1,058,553

NOTE.—Redemptions of loans are not included in the Expenditure, nor are repayments to credit of votes.

No. 24.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
By Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and returned to State	£ 1,508,055	£ 1,641,563	£ 2,385,904	£ 3,053,133	£ 2,683,417	£ 2,529,070	£ 2,742,770	£ 3,022,351
By State	881,692	1,041,548	1,108,770	1,108,782	1,100,193	1,114,408	1,297,776	1,381,305
	£ 2,389,747	2,683,111	3,494,674	4,161,915	3,783,610	3,643,478	4,040,546	4,403,656
Land—								
Alienations	£ 1,213,661	£ 1,226,905	£ 1,155,515	£ 1,010,246	£ 1,030,138	£ 937,815	£ 976,772	£ 1,029,439
Revenue	894,772	835,072	841,559	791,219	827,188	820,087	753,115	851,373
	£ 2,108,433	2,061,977	1,997,074	1,801,465	1,857,326	1,757,902	1,729,887	1,880,812
Receipts for Services rendered	£ 317,297	344,322	375,333	351,966	373,711	358,570	372,575	330,640
Miscellaneous Receipts	£ 216,280	270,546	221,666	236,127	290,550	288,020	285,479	343,851
Total Governmental	£ 5,031,757	5,359,956	6,088,747	6,551,473	6,305,197	6,047,970	6,428,487	6,958,959
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners	£ 3,563,376	£ 4,099,085	£ 4,324,432	£ 4,079,788	£ 4,263,744	£ 4,527,368	£ 5,051,954	£ 5,596,428
Sydney Harbour Trust ... ..	.....	60,602	217,391	256,133	261,659	253,581	270,689	298,037
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage ...	319,849	327,214	347,710	376,221	385,793	473,562	492,195	496,794
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board ...	30,707	27,806	29,076	32,453	31,934	34,437	39,757	42,217
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,913,932	4,514,707	4,918,609	4,744,595	4,943,130	5,288,948	5,854,595	6,433,476
Total	£ 8,945,689	9,874,663	11,007,356	11,296,068	11,248,327	11,336,918	12,283,082	13,392,435
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)	£ 31,609	24,612	49,112	92,830	103,868	47,753	8,285	14,108
Grand Total	£ 8,977,298	9,899,275	11,056,468	11,388,898	11,352,195	11,384,671	12,291,367	13,406,543

* Adjusted amounts for purposes of comparison, Commonwealth transferred services excluded.

No. 25.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899-1900 to 1906-7.

	1899-1900.	1900-1.	1901-2.	1902-3.	1903-4.	1904-5.	1905-6.	1906-7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental :—								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Govt.*	620,867	580,517	737,578	895,732	831,527	883,236	938,398	907,026
Old-age Pensions and Administration ... ..	.....	40	453,279	553,507	531,983	518,656	510,343	515,177
Other Pensions, Retiring Allowances, &c.	30,835	44,629	44,299	37,589	†131,096	†170,909	†170,685	†167,947
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, including Electoral Office	8,136	14,361	27,160	12,710	22,586	42,048	10,464	20,426
Parliamentary Allowances and Postage	34,002	33,393	32,694	35,014	34,746	23,210	29,129	29,503
Endowments and Grants—								
Municipalities, including Municipal Rates on Government Buildings	28,818	29,330	55,516	43,585	45,480	21,172	17,884	66,815
Fire and Water Brigades	13,522	15,633	17,517	16,785	22,354	15,790	20,052	19,457
Miners' Accident Relief and Administration ... ..	.....	2,002	9,043	10,329	11,668	11,875	12,747	13,778
Hospitals, Benevolent Societies, Coast Hospital, other Charitable Institutions	103,995	108,214	122,521	114,948	109,779	121,568	142,934	121,856
Fire and Flood Relief	149	1,620	132	882	98	5,278	220	86
Agricultural, Pastoral, and Horticultural Societies	14,934	15,404	15,986	13,071	11,410	14,363	8,936	17,390
Public Charities, including Government Asylums, State Children, Aborigines, and Maintenance of Paupers	157,134	130,388	159,703	167,589	166,148	154,364	149,339	144,933
Lunacy, including Master-in-Lunacy	110,705	114,568	125,436	147,238	138,847	128,062	135,397	135,728
Public Instruction, including Reformatories and Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions	773,653	789,206	874,692	904,142	912,621	915,586	937,840	943,638
Public Works, including Establishment	839,940	983,851	1,022,903	924,881	770,240	693,657	788,522	637,582
Labour and Industry, including Unemployed	9,661	9,182	13,220	17,414	21,355	11,087	12,821	7,856
Local Government Endowments, &c. ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126,583
Extraordinary Services—								
Bubonic Plague	84,451	92,065	5,235	23,094	5,144	3,456	2,094	2,641
Military and Naval Contingents—South Africa and China	157,985	225,458	49,472	10,847	1,264	194	1,079	24,284
Federal Celebrations and Royal Receptions ... ..	.....	121,528	21,477	514	1,981	.....	.....	.....
All other Services of the State under Public Departments	1,805,465	1,932,017	1,961,519	1,952,191	1,913,964	1,841,543	1,816,518	1,899,999
Total—Governmental	£ 4,794,252	5,243,316	5,749,442	5,882,062	5,684,291	5,576,054	5,705,372	5,802,705
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners, Sydney Harbour Trust, Metropolitan and Hunter District Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage—								
Working Expenses	2,197,999	2,586,475	3,002,680	3,169,470	3,132,636	3,131,826	3,184,816	3,444,243
Interest on Capitals	†1,788,948	†1,892,780	†1,981,501	†2,046,289	†2,133,548	2,167,782	2,136,660	2,229,708
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,986,947	4,479,255	4,984,181	5,215,759	5,266,184	5,299,608	5,321,476	5,673,951
Sinking Fund Instalments	264,561	269,412	274,550	369,413	369,413	319,413	360,016	405,090
Public Works Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	718,051
Closer Settlement Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200,000
Total	£ 9,045,760	9,991,983	11,008,173	11,467,234	11,319,888	11,195,075	11,386,864	12,799,797
Advances made	30,319	77,221	132,889	169,239	72,015	2,423	8,378	31,526
Grand Total	£ 9,076,079	10,069,204	11,141,062	11,636,473	11,391,903	11,197,498	11,395,242	12,831,323

* Excludes proportion chargeable to the four corporate bodies. † Includes pensions under Public Service (Superannuation) Act, No. 8 of 1903, 4 per cent. deductions from salaries being paid to Revenue. ‡ For years 1899-1900 to 1903-4, figures for interest on capitals are approximate only, as the capital debt of the four corporate bodies was not definitely settled.

No. 26.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776
1897	1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,606,735	79,711	31,026,523
1898	1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,852,711	54,228	31,311,293
1899	1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,055,059
1900	1,447,641	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731
1901	1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832
1902	1,454,415	208,521	12,587,097	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428
1903	1,378,642	228,059	12,591,637	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541
1904	1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,028	34,901,232
1905	1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,627	37,071,054	140,118	38,860,062
1906	1,564,670	313,946	16,834,690	22,585,802	39,420,492	117,620	41,416,737
1907	1,756,696	203,018	18,729,709	24,034,857	42,764,566	153,186	44,937,466
31 March, 1903 ..	1,720,484	303,685	19,559,899	24,171,544	43,731,443	203,340	45,968,952
31 March, 1907 ...	1,663,162	306,160	19,034,018	22,757,349	41,791,367	102,038	43,862,727

No. 27.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

Quarter ended 31st December.	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,466	44,527,828
1897	5,766,554	175,037	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519	43,980,722
1898	5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,403,700	256,997	399,543	42,638,224
1899	5,865,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,652	42,194,661
1900	5,933,076	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816	43,030,427
1901	5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181	43,437,559
1902	6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097	43,630,491
1903	5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904	43,165,576
1904	6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	264,615	41,606,948
1905	8,624,083	199,177	1,799,231	32,447,659	326,750	297,237	43,694,137
1906	7,247,347	206,016	1,819,417	34,415,596	335,979	379,602	44,457,957
1907	9,342,631	209,454	1,746,940	37,244,216	359,038	443,636	49,345,915
31 March, 1903...	9,949,156	209,635	1,778,341	37,437,277	333,109	404,916	50,112,434
31 March, 1907 ...	8,552,808	226,354	1,783,913	34,032,294	350,903	506,399	45,452,671

* From June, 1907, the returns of fourteen banks are shown, the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris being included.

No. 28.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1896 ... ..	...	...	...	116,962,784	1902 ... ..	...	...	...	178,637,708
1897 ... ..	...	...	...	121,645,873	1903 ... ..	...	...	...	180,961,406
1898 ... ..	...	...	...	126,978,018	1904 ... ..	...	...	...	177,797,335
1899 ... ..	...	...	...	146,188,144	1905 ... ..	...	...	...	189,826,381
1900 ... ..	...	...	...	144,080,314	1906 ... ..	...	...	...	220,860,512
1901 ... ..	...	...	...	167,676,707	1907 ... ..	...	...	...	234,169,822
Total, 1st January to 1st June, 1908				...	...				£93,549,952
" " " 3rd June, 1907				...	...				£97,172,152

No. 29.—Savings Banks.

Year. (31st December.)	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9	7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4	7 3 4
1899	260,826	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1	7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,382	831,948	38 11 5	7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0	8 11 4
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10	8 16 6
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9	8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6	8 14 5
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11	9 0 5
1906	392,050	15,320,532	1,822,280	39 1 7	10 0 2
1907	421,928	17,530,157	2,209,625	41 10 11	11 3 2

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 30.—Life Assurance.—Business in force (exclusive of Industrial).

NOTE.—This Table refers to all offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Number of Policies.	Assurances.			Annual Premium Income.
		Sums Assured (exclusive of Bonuses).	Bonus Additions.	Total.	
		£	£	£	£
1896	280,113	80,587,515	9,475,207	90,062,722	2,714,808
1897	290,112	82,216,900	9,721,036	91,937,936	2,769,612
1898	306,916	85,630,767	11,093,343	96,724,110	2,903,218
1899	327,618	89,996,612	10,533,800	100,530,412	3,037,142
1900	349,485	93,888,153	11,190,189	105,078,342	3,168,898
1901	372,823	98,168,271	11,510,243	109,678,514	3,327,803
1902	392,369	102,006,915	11,507,608	113,514,523	3,467,718
1903	418,745	107,786,226	12,585,828	120,372,054	3,677,680
1904	440,005	112,357,451	13,418,599	125,776,050	3,845,577
1905	459,675	116,115,582	13,846,138	129,961,720	3,982,421
1906	445,156	107,711,543	13,962,278	121,673,821	3,698,031

The figures for 1906 represent Australasian business only; prior to that year the whole business of the Institutions, wherever carried on, is included.

No. 31.—Life Assurance.—Assets and Liabilities.

NOTE.—This table refers only to Australasian offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Assets.			Liabilities.		
	Loans on Mortgages and Policies.	Government and Municipal Securities, Freehold Property, Cash on Deposit, &c.	Total.	Assurance, Endowment, and Annuity Funds.	Paid-up Capital, Reserve Funds, &c.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	16,597,379	5,736,667	22,334,046	21,399,835	934,211	22,334,046
1897	17,360,627	6,036,232	23,396,859	22,537,196	859,663	23,396,859
1898	17,038,041	7,484,151	24,522,192	23,654,709	867,483	24,522,192
1899	18,272,621	7,777,844	26,050,465	25,130,924	919,541	26,050,465
1900	19,013,579	8,457,644	27,471,223	26,491,025	980,198	27,471,223
1901	19,048,449	9,891,691	28,940,140	27,932,313	1,007,827	28,940,140
1902	19,680,288	10,910,198	30,590,486	29,518,852	1,071,634	30,598,486
1903	20,599,387	11,609,060	32,208,447	31,160,834	1,047,613	32,208,447
1904	21,739,875	12,501,434	34,241,309	33,264,382	976,927	34,241,309
1905	22,072,061	13,795,301	35,867,362	34,915,842	951,520	35,867,362
1906	24,379,196	12,556,320	36,935,516	35,338,435	1,597,081	36,935,516

No. 32.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.			Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops. *
			acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1898	...	...	993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,821,829
1899	...	...	1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	...	...	1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,602	2,439,639
1901	...	...	1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,564
1902	...	...	1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	...	...	1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	...	...	1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	496,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	...	...	1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,298	2,672,973
1906	...	...	1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	2,838,081
1907	...	...	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,072	4,951	2,824,211
1908	...	...	1,390,171	168,258	75,762	9,132	541,781	4,720	2,570,137

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 33.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.			Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
			bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1898	...	...	10,560,111	6,713,660	543,946	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	...	...	9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	...	...	13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	...	...	16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	891,190	5,855,674
1902	...	...	14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,203
1903	...	...	1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	...	...	27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,924
1905	...	...	16,464,415	4,951,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	5,413,710
1906	...	...	20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,050
1907	...	...	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,554	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	7,517,550
1908	...	...	9,074,156	4,965,000	851,776	263,235	367,813	*	*

* Not yet available.

No. 34.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.			Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
			bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1898	...	...	10'6	32'0	19'0	20'8	1'0	193	3 8 7
1899	...	...	7'0	31'4	14'0	19'8	0'7	185	2 4 3
1900	...	...	9'5	27'8	21'6	18'1	1'0	160	2 6 0
1901	...	...	10'6	30'5	20'2	19'0	1'1	197	2 8 0
1902	...	...	10'6	22'9	21'3	21'4	1'1	178	3 2 0
1903	...	...	1'2	15'1	8'2	20'9	0'5	160	1 16 10
1904	...	...	17'5	30'1	24'3	21'9	1'6	213	3 5 9
1905	...	...	9'3	25'6	16'1	20'4	0'8	175	2 0 6
1906	...	...	10'7	29'3	22'9	19'6	1'0	157	2 6 1
1907	...	...	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'3	1'4	230	2 13 3
Mean for 10 years			10'1	27'8	19'7	20'3	1'0	185	2 11 7
1908	...	...	6'5	29'5	11'2	28'8	0 7	*	*

* Not yet available.

No. 35.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1897	498,034	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897	207,738
1898	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004	247,061
1899	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514	239,973
1900	481,417	420,148	1,562,968	40,020,506	256,577
1901	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099	265,730
1902	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424	193,097
1903	458,014	523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501	221,592
1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
1906	537,702	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
1907	578,671	753,043	1,973,922	44,555,879	216,116

*NOTE.—Up to 1902 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The figures for the last three years are made up as follows:—

Year.	Milch Cows.	Cows at present dry.	Heifers within 3 months of calving.	Total Dairy Cows.
1905	442,950	154,655	46,559	644,164
1906	494,820	172,888	45,341	713,049
1907	505,399	203,923	43,721	753,043

No. 36.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1897	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168	6,544,781
1898	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312	7,184,058
1899	254,833,000	389,838	33,033,881	2,385,987	6,831,943
1900	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823	10,863,125
1901	310,075,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835	11,080,891
1902	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038	8,995,856
1903	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176	7,864,771
1904	250,941,000	353,082	53,591,243	4,223,621	10,680,532
1905	297,154,000	495,157	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,911	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	*	*	59,418,830	4,680,130	9,851,780

* Not yet available.

No. 37.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver, Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year	1,000	1,000	1,000
1906 " "	1,277	1,316	1,432
1907 " "	1,343	1,354	1,461
May, 1902	1,056	1,103	978
" 1903	1,109	1,163	1,045
" 1904	1,045	1,132	989
" 1905	1,112	1,176	1,083
" 1906	1,290	1,343	1,438
" 1907	1,404	1,438	1,577
July, 1907	1,400	1,378	1,573
August, "	1,373	1,291	1,436
December, "	1,207	1,246	1,085
January, 1908	1,222	1,240	1,087
February, "	1,213	1,202	1,081
March, "	1,179	1,153	1,083
April, "	1,180	1,160	1,092
May, 1908	1,147	1,077	1,042

No. 38.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
May, 1907 ...	32 9	8 10 0	97	90	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 10	37 6
June, " ...	34 6	8 11 6	96	91	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	33 6
July, " ...	35 3	8 16 0	97	93	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	34 0
August, " ...	35 0	9 2 0	100	95	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	35 0
September, " ...	40 0	9 13 0	98	96	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	35 0
October, " ...	42 9	10 7 0	119	112	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	34 3
November, " ...	44 0	10 12 0	119	112	13	1 11	34 0
December, " ...	45 0	10 11 6	120	114	13	1 11	33 3
January, 1908 ...	43 6	10 13 0	122	115	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 0
February, " ...	38 9	10 5 0	136	126	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 6
March, " ...	37 9	9 18 9	117	109	12	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 0
April, " ...	38 6	9 10 0	111	105	12	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 3
May, " ...	39 6	9 9 0	110	103	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 5	32 3

No. 39.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.				Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.
				per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
May, 1907 ...	...	...	...	3 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 0 0	11 $\frac{7}{8}$	11 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 9 $\frac{5}{8}$	3 1
June, " ...	...	...	...	3 8	8 13 6	11 $\frac{1}{8}$	11 $\frac{1}{8}$	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
July, " ...	...	...	...	3 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 0 0	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 10	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
August, " ...	...	...	...	3 11	8 19 0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 10	2 9
September, " ...	...	...	...	4 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	9 10 6	11 $\frac{3}{8}$	11 $\frac{3}{8}$	2 9 $\frac{3}{8}$	3 1 $\frac{3}{8}$
October, " ...	...	...	...	5 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 12 6	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 4	4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
November, " ...	...	...	...	4 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 7 6	15	15	3 5 $\frac{3}{8}$	4 6 $\frac{1}{4}$
December, " ...	...	...	...	4 5	10 2 6	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	15	3 3	4 10 $\frac{1}{4}$
January, 1908 ...	...	...	...	4 6	10 9 6	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	15 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 0
February, " ...	...	...	...	4 4	9 16 0	14	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 8
March, " ...	...	...	...	4 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 16 3	14 $\frac{3}{8}$	17	3 2	4 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
April, " ...	...	...	...	4 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 16 9	17	18	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 9
May, " ...	...	...	...	4 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 18 0	18 $\frac{1}{4}$	18 $\frac{1}{4}$	3 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 10
				Hay (Oaten).	Butter (Best Brands).	Cheese (Loaf).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.
				per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. d.
May, 1907 ...	...	...	...	4 1 6	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	7 $\frac{1}{8}$	5	17 $\frac{1}{4}$
June, " ...	...	...	...	4 2 6	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	5	16 $\frac{3}{8}$
July, " ...	...	...	...	4 3 3	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	16
August, " ...	...	...	...	3 11 9	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$
September, " ...	...	...	...	4 11 8	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	9	5 $\frac{3}{8}$	8
October, " ...	...	...	...	6 1 9	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{8}$	9 $\frac{3}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{8}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
November, " ...	...	...	...	6 10 0	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{3}{8}$	5 $\frac{7}{8}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
December, " ...	...	...	...	6 5 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	6 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
January, 1908 ...	...	...	...	6 5 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	7	10
February, " ...	...	...	...	5 9 6	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	13 $\frac{3}{4}$
March, " ...	...	...	...	5 16 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	15 $\frac{3}{4}$
April, " ...	...	...	...	6 0 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	8	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	7	17
May, " ...	...	...	...	6 0 0	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	18 $\frac{3}{4}$

No. 40.—Gold produced, January to May, and Minerals exported, January to March.

Gold yield during the first five months of the years 1908 and 1907.

	1908.		1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to April	77,301	328,355	85,885	364,817
May	19,295	81,961	39,296	166,920
Total for five months	96,596	410,316	125,181	531,737

Exports of Minerals during the first quarter, 1908 and 1907.

Exports.	First quarter, 1908.		First quarter, 1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£
Silver ingots and matte oz.	563,823	60,406	117,637	15,327
Silver-lead, concentrates, &c.... .. tons	98,235	589,647	96,772	867,439
Copper ingots, and ore* "	2,658	144,975	2,521	235,164
Tin ingots and ore* "	547	68,136	791	142,993
Coal—				
To Australasian Ports "	700,367	307,607	534,546	221,721
,, other "	980,027	518,858	699,485	342,811
Total export	1,680,394	826,465	1,234,031	564,532
		1,689,629		1,825,455

* The exports of tin and copper include metal refined from ores imported from other States and treated here. The quantity and value of the copper and tin ore imported during the first quarter of the years 1908 and 1907 are as follows:—

	First quarter, 1908.		First quarter, 1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	tons.	£	tons.	£
Copper	291	6,134	1,518	23,485
Tin	273	20,852	269	29,310

The silver and coal exports represent the product of the mines of this State.

No. 41.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1906 and 1907.

Minerals.	1906.		1907.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£	£	£
Metallic—						
Gold oz. fine	253,987	1,078,866	247,363	1,050,730	.....	28,136
Silver "	284,994	36,431	2,043,887	257,314	220,883	.....
Silver—lead and ore ... ton	371,939	2,826,542	434,079	3,658,632	832,090	.....
Lead—pig, &c.... .. "	59	1,084	19,768	374,182	373,098	.....
Zinc spelter & concentrates ..	103,666	292,806	237,219	536,620	243,814	.....
Tin ingots and ore "	1,671	255,744	1,914	293,305	37,561	.....
Copper ingots and ore... .. "	9,755	789,527	10,098	727,774	.....	61,753
Antimony and ore "	2,451	52,645	1,752	46,278	.....	6,367
Bismuth "	25	5,700	16	5,268	.....	432
Wolfram "	132	9,057	207	26,235	17,178	.....
Scheelite "	109	7,647	196	23,781	16,134	.....
Molybdenite "	33	4,798	22	3,564	.....	1,234
Platinum oz.	205	623	276	1,014	391	.....
Iron ton	.....	.....	18,631	60,550	60,550	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	7,626,362	2,337,227	8,657,924	2,922,419	585,192	.....
Coke "	186,060	110,607	254,609	159,316	48,709	.....
Kerosene shale... .. "	32,446	28,470	47,331	32,055	3,585	.....
Alunite "	1,856	4,637	2,088	5,115	478	.....
Limestone flux... .. "	12,788	7,463	41,667	16,162	8,699	.....
Ironstone flux "	935	723	10,659	7,707	6,984	.....
Marble ... .. "	.....	1,518	.....	2,200	682	.....
Diamonds carat	2,827	2,120	2,539	2,056	.....	64
Opal ... .. "	.....	56,500	.....	79,000	22,500	.....
Sundry minerals ... ..	.....	1,981	.....	4,013	2,032	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	7,912,716	.....	10,295,290	2,480,560	97,986
					Net increase £2,382,574.	

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £112,848 in 1906 and £118,082 in 1907, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £144,060 and £164,006, respectively, in 1906 and 1907. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 42.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	1,104,315	1,698,239	283,174	49,900	1,230,041	4,648,119
1898 ...	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833	4,801,585
1899 ...	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799	6,089,749
1900 ...	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911	6,362,078
1901 ...	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929	5,680,739
1902 ...	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598	5,102,321
1903 ...	1,080,029	1,501,403	462,640	150,208	2,319,660	5,957,512
1904 ...	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952	6,243,261
1905 ...	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081
1906 ...	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716
1907 ...	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290

No. 43.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1897 ...	2,826	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	Not available.	
1898 ...	2,839	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,696	„	
1899 ...	2,912	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	„	
1900 ...	3,077	50,516	10,263	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available
1901 ...	3,367	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1902 ...	3,396	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available
1903 ...	3,476	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1904 ...	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905 ...	3,700	56,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150
*1906 ...	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
*1907 ...	4, 7	66,667	20,527	87,194	†	6,679,418	†

* See also Table 44 † Not yet available.

No. 44.—Manufacturing Industries.

1907.

Class of Industry.	Number of Establishments.	Hands Employed.				Wages Paid.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Total, 1906.	
						£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	283	3,734	24	3,758	3,209	244,413
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	41	544	109	653	681	46,730
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	256	3,715	84	3,799	3,877	328,465
Working in Wood ...	521	6,168	21	6,189	5,205	490,613
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	429	18,077	58	18,135	15,339	1,877,462
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	750	9,670	2,577	12,247	11,607	908,389
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	881	6,971	14,904	21,875	19,650	1,048,603
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	364	5,942	1,748	7,690	6,961	642,267
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	12	346	37	383	338	35,763
Arms and Explosives ...	2	10	2	12	17	883
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	343	3,399	63	3,462	2,667	246,336
Ship and Boat Building ...	36	1,701	1	1,702	1,595	196,518
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	142	2,304	167	2,471	2,317	190,161
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	52	742	379	1,121	1,012	82,952
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	9	68	18	86	86	6,387
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	47	568	60	628	457	48,723
Heat, Light, and Power ...	155	1,940	62	2,002	1,883	227,357
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	15	244	31	275	240	10,900
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	49	524	182	706	681	40,427
Total ...	4,387	66,667	20,527	87,194	77,822	6,679,418

1906.

	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	245,696	3,288,006	20,314	†3,855,204	546,884
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	158,157	420,149	7,483	621,016	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	426,543	144,007	77,354	722,627	501,266
Working in Wood ...	365,780	1,105,105	10,705	1,806,846	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	1,511,896	4,195,818	229,602	7,631,010	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,537,270	9,258,104	112,545	11,955,522	2,584,873
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	286,040	1,890,906	12,775	3,414,603	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	671,321	476,461	13,623	1,396,774	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	4,815	43,295	237	102,875	59,343
Arms and Explosives ...	270	2,475	21	4,521	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	43,790	228,019	4,974	536,426	393,433
Ship and Boat Building ...	161,269	80,748	4,836	284,178	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	32,336	264,927	1,804	531,168	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	107,276	259,701	5,856	487,610	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	2,570	8,973	239	22,924	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	12,192	41,847	522	99,838	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power ...	1,705,857	232,351	105,829	1,062,466	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	6,085	69,475	340	97,981	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	16,174	92,318	939	162,580	69,323
Total ...	£ 8,295,337	22,102,685	609,998	34,796,169	12,083,486*

* If £222,824, the value added to articles already included in primary industries be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £11,860,662.

† Including value of wool treated.

No. 45.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901–1906.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of	337,739	547,636	449,521	457,067	546,884
Pastoral Pursuits, &c.					
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	162,491	179,690	177,877	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	422,272	445,774	399,459	462,447	501,266
Working in Wood	649,149	647,403	609,255	645,027	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	2,382,185	2,485,649	2,781,996	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,231,942	1,919,746	2,053,276	2,138,487	2,362,049
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	1,150,871	1,219,217	1,289,527	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	950,771	802,860	851,780	847,996	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	29,511	30,708	54,799	59,343
Arms and Explosives	1,480	3,065	1,924	1,541	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	198,391	239,727	257,251	303,433
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	207,932	205,392	179,380	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	220,434	209,395	199,025	228,903	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	74,006	108,299	148,785	199,100	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments ..	17,304	9,145	10,700	10,925	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	24,698	31,043	41,048	48,705	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	681,190	707,356	739,397	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	16,303	20,955	24,229	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	46,490	46,646	53,799	69,323
Total	9,736,171	9,599,790	9,900,113	10,598,453	11,860,662

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 46.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891–1907.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral	Agricultural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor— Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1894	11,168	3,439	4,947	2,548	*	090	22,792	6,880	29,672
1895	11,774	4,101	4,499	2,546	*	715	23,635	7,006	30,641
1896	11,774	5,374	4,165	2,546	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,736	38,808
1902	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,493	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,600	40,749
1904	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,900	39,382
1905	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,598	46,692
1906	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,861	53,689
1907†	22,750	6,710	10,295	3,400	1,845	1,500	46,500	12,500	59,000

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

† The 1907 figures are preliminary only and will be amended later.

No. 47.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1897	2,640	37,369,205	1,413,524	8,130,405	3 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	22,672,924
1898	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	23,233,206
1899	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	24,726,067
1900	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	26,486,873
1901	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	29,261,324
1902	3,026	40,505,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	30,885,214
1903	3,139	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	32,384,138
1904	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	33,792,689
1905	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,467,886	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	35,158,150
1906	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
* March, 1908 ...	3,468	44,700,230	577,152	3,457,644	3 4	11,954,832
* „ 1907 ...	3,453	43,626,063	632,531	3,382,035	3 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	10,497,491

* Quarter ended 31st March.

No. 48.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1896	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418	2,796,776
1897	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778	2,728,360
1898	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242	2,866,570
1899	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663	3,112,063
1900	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065	3,219,907
1901	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272	3,449,315
1902	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356	3,627,369
1903	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395	3,638,591
1904	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491	3,637,280
1905	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906	2,288	113,226,280	14,457,564	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506

No. 49.—Current Rates of Wages.

[NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round, allowance being made for the exigencies of the various trades, such as bad weather, idleness through scarcity of employment, &c. Except where specially mentioned, the ordinary working week consists of 48 hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.]

Bakers (bread)—

Board hands, 52/6 to 60/- per week; machine hands, 15/- to 42/- per week.

Blacksmiths, 10/- per day; average 50/- per week.

Boilermakers—

1/3 per hour, new work } approximate average
1/4 " old work } per week, 35/-

Bookbinders, 52/- per week; average 45/-

Bootmakers—

Male, 48/- per week; average 38/-

Female, 15/- " ; " 12/6

Brass-finishers, 1/- per hour; average 42/-

Brassmoulders, 1/3 " " 50/-

Bread-carters (54 hours per week), min. 45/-

Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, 40/- to 44/-

Bricklayers, 1/4½ per hour; average 45/-

Brickcarters, 1 horse, 40/- per week; 2 horses, 45/- per week; 2/6 per week extra for each additional horse.

Brickmakers—Time rate, 10½d. to 11½d. per hour; piecework, average 57/6 per week.

Brushmakers, 1/3 per hour, or 52/6 per week.

Butchers (country), with board, 25/- to 30/-

" (city), without board, 35/- to 45/-

Carpenters and Joiners, 1/3 per hour; average 45/-

Carters. (See "Trolly and Draymen.")

Cabinetmakers, min. 52/-; average 56/- per week.

Chairmakers, min. 52/-; average 56/- per week.

Cigarmakers, male and female; average 45/- per week.

Coach-painters, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 45/-

Coachsmiths, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 50/-

Compositors—Piecework, 1/- to 1/1 per 1,000 ens.

" Jobbing, 56/- per week.

" Linotype (newspapers), 3½d. per 1,000 ens (flat rate). Time rate, day, 1/7; night, 1/10 per hour.

Coopers (piecework), avg. 50/- to 55/- per week.

Coppersmiths, 1/4 per hour; avg. 50/- per week.

Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Electricians—

Fitters, 9/- to 10/6 per day.

Armature Winders and Wiremen, 9/- per day.

Engine-drivers (stationary), 8/- to 11/-

Firemen " 8/- to 9/-

Engine-fitters, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average 50/-

Farriers—Firemen, 57/6 per week.

" Floormen, 47/6 "

French-polishers, min. 48/-; average 51/-

Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/1½ per hour; avg. 50/-

Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Hairdressers (59 hours per week), 45/- per week.

Hatters (felt), piecework 65/- to 70/- per week.

Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")

Ironmoulders and Turners, 1/3 per hour; av. 45/-

Labourers—Skilled 8/-; unskilled, 7/- per day; average 40/-

Letter-press Machinists, min. 52/- per week; average 42/-

Lithographers, min. 60/- per week.

Malt-house Hands, 40/- per week.

Marble-workers, 7/6 to 10/- per day.

Masons and Stone-cutters, 1/4½ per hour; avg. 40/-

Navvies, 7/- to 8/- per day; average 40/-

Painters and Paperhangers (44 hours per week),

1/3 per hour; average 45/- per week.

Pattern-makers, 10/8 to 12/- per day.

Plasterers, 1/3 per hour; average 45/- per week.

Plumbers, 1/4½ " " 50/-

Saddlers (piecework), average 50/-

Saw-mill Employees per hour, Machinists, 1s. 3d.;

Saw Sharpeners, 1s. 2½d.; Sawyers, 1s. 0½d.;

Engine-drivers, 1s.

Shipwrights (adults), 11/- to 12/- per day.

Shop Assistants (adults)—

Males, 35/- to 45/-

Females, 17/6 to 25/- per week.

Slaters and Tilers, 1/3 to 1/4½ per hour.

Tailors, Coat hands, 35/- to 45/- per week.

" Trousers hands, 20/- to 30/- per week.

" Pressers, 55/- per week, or log rates.

Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 27/6

" (trousers hands), order, 22/6 to 26/- per week.

" (vest hands), order, 20/- to 25/- per week.

" (factory), order, 10/- to 20/- per week.

Tinsmiths, 1/1½ and 1/3 per hour; average, 50/- per week.

Tobacco-workers, men, 50/-; women, 25/- per week.

Trolly and Draymen— Heavy. Light.

1 horse ... 41/- 42/6

2 horses ... 46/6 47/6

3/- per week for each extra horse. Working

week not to exceed 60 hours.

Timber-carters, 1 horse, 42/-; 2 horses, 47/-;

and 3/- per week for each extra horse.

Tip-carters, 1 horse, 40/-; 2 horses, 45/-

Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.

Upholsterers, min. 52/-; average 57/6 per week.

Wharf Labourers—

Deep sea, 1/3 per hour; 1/9 overtime.

Interstate and Coastal, 1/1½ per hour; 1/8 overtime.

Wheelwrights, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 45/-

Woolwashers, 6/- to 7/- per day; average 40/-

Ferry Employees.

Engine-drivers, £15 to £16/10/- per month.

Firemen, £9/10/- to £11/5/- per month.

Deck-hands (adults), 36/- to 40/- per week (60 hours per week).

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers.

Officers, chief, £15 to £19; 2nd, £12 to £14;

3rd, £10 to £11; 4th, £8.

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmers, £7.

Engineers, chief, £20 to £27/10/-; 2nd, £16 to £19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.

Able Seamen, £7.

" " (sailing ships), average £5.

No. 49.—Current Rates of Wages—continued.

State (New South Wales) Steamers.

Officers, Chief, £10 to £15; 2nd, £10 to £12.
Firemen, £9 and £10 (if 6-hour watches).

Donkeymen, £10 to £11.
Able Seamen and Trimmers, £7.

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, 17/6 to 20/-
Bullock Drivers, 20/- to 25/-
Country Blacksmiths—
Station, 30/-
General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-
Dairy Hands, 17/6 to 22/6
Farm Labourers, 20/-
Harvest Hands, 35/-
Horse-team Drivers, 25/- to 30/-

Married Couples (without family)—
Farm, £70 to £80.
Station, £75 to £85.
Rouseabouts and Shed Hands, 15/- to 20/-
Orchard Hands, 14/- to 20/-
Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 24/-
Stockmen, £45 to £52.
Useful Boys, 7/6 to 12/6 (age 15 to 18).
Vignerons, 15/- to 20/-

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—
Hotel, 20/- to 30/-
Station, 20/- to 25/-
Private house, 15/- to 20/-
Boarding-house, 20/- to 30/-
Cook and Laundress, 15/- to 20/-
House and Parlour Maid, 13/- to 15/-
Laundresses, 17/6 to 20/-

General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards),
10/- to 20/-
Nursemaids (aged 15 to 20 years), 6/- to 10/-
Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), 6/- to 10/-
Waitresses (board only), 15/- to 18/-
Gardeners, 20/- to 30/-
Grooms and Coachmen, 17/6 to 25/-

No. 50.—Meteorology.

District.	May, 1908.					May— (Mean 1898–1907).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
North Coast—										
Grafton	62·7	76·4	49·0	0·98	4	62·7	3·79	8	68·3	38·77
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton	56·6	64·5	48·6	0·24	2	55·7	1·33	5	64·3	29·65
Cumberland—										
Sydney	59·9	66·7	53·1	2·58	19	58·5	5·74	15	63·0	48·34
South Coast—										
Bega	53·0	66·4	39·6	1·88	3	52·5	3·93	6	59·8	31·74
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	51·0	62·4	39·6	0·39	3	49·1	1·93	8	56·4	31·78
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst	49·0	62·2	35·8	1·86	7	49·7	1·45	7	57·2	23·89
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	48·7	57·5	39·8	1·34	9	47·9	1·49	8	56·4	25·63
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	58·7	70·9	45·4	0·65	1	56·9	1·58	4	66·2	24·76
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	56·2	70·3	42·1	0·62	4	56·4	1·26	5	63·6	22·36
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	51·6	63·3	39·9	0·84	8	54·2	1·41	6	61·6	21·73
North-western Plain—										
Moree	61·4	77·5	45·3	0·04	2	59·6	1·46	5	68·7	23·23
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	60·0	72·1	47·9	0·69	3	57·8	1·30	3	65·8	19·96
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	52·1	62·3	41·9	1·49	6	55·2	1·20	6	61·9	16·46

No. 51.—Crown Lands Selections, 1908.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected; and (second), the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of May, 1908, and during the period from 1st January to 31st May, 1908:—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During May, 1908.		1st Jan. to 31st May, 1908.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Conditional Purchase Leases	22	17,499	90	51,329
Original Conditional Purchases	191	27,672	731	102,544
*Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(106)	47,402	(394)	176,993
Original Homestead Selections	54	13,545	124	28,764
Original Settlement Leases	13	39,464	40	173,273
Settlement Purchases ... ..	.....	.....	2	1,210
Total of New Settlers	280	145,582	987	534,113
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases	108	16,435	433	60,327
Additional Conditional Leases	176	53,318	615	181,176
Additional Homestead Selections	9	3,232	38	12,954
Additional Settlement Leases... ..	3	2,030	17	15,971
Total	296	75,015	1,103	270,428

* A Conditional Lease may be of any area not exceeding three times that of the associated Conditional Purchase, and is usually taken up at the same time as the Conditional Purchase. It is not, however, treated as an additional holding.

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Description of Holding.	During May, 1908.		1st Jan. to 31st May, 1908.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
For Conditional Purchase Lease	13	12,315	86	64,576
Original Conditional Purchase	24	1,022	77	4,442
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof	34	23,617	188	162,649
Original Homestead Selection	43	8,982	82	17,434
Original Settlement Lease	10	31,615	21	89,399
Settlement Purchase ... ..	.....	.....	2	1,210
Total	124	77,581	456	339,710
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
For all forms of Additional Holdings	96	64,447	340	249,612
Additional Conditional Purchase	6	709	12	1,827
Additional Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease	4	1,390	13	1,995
Additional Homestead Selection	1	45	4	215
Additional Settlement Lease ... ..	.....	.....	4	1,827
Additional Conditional Purchase, Conditional Lease, or Additional Homestead Selection ... ..	.....	.....	6	2,058
Total	107	66,591	379	257,534